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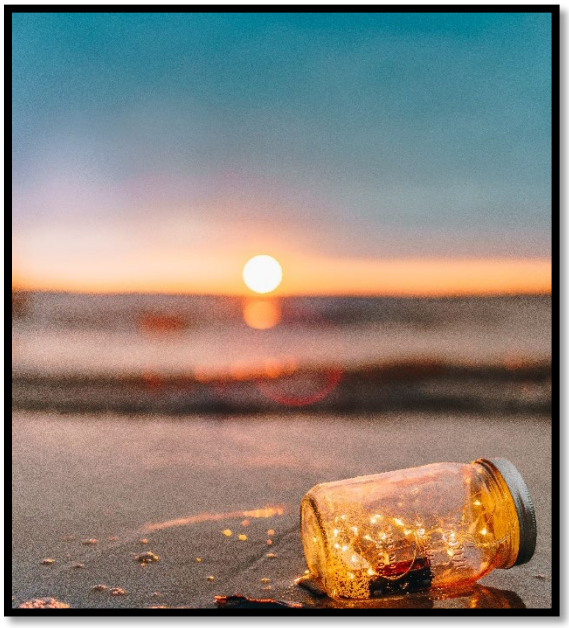
An open and affirming community committed to peace and justice



February 27, 2022
10:00 am

“Indomitable”
Transfiguration Sunday
Seminary Sunday/Church Vocations Sunday

No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, You are welcome here!

WORSHIP ON ZOOM -- Zoom opens at 9:30 am Sunday morning.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7643282234

Meeting ID: 764 328 2234
Passcode: Ypsi1882
To join by phone, dial the number, 1-312-626-6799

- Welcome to Ypsilanti First Congregational UCC's Hybrid Worship Service
- Hymns are included in the worship bulletin. A separate hymnal is not needed.
- If you are joining worship for the first-time on Zoom, please add your name and email to the chat so the Zoomie Greeter can introduce you.
- Thank you for choosing to worship with us today!

OPEN AND AFFIRMING COVENANT OF
First Congregational United Church of Christ, Ypsilanti

First Congregational United Church of Christ, Ypsilanti celebrates everyone, including people of all ages, races, cultures, sexual orientations, gender identifies and expressions, family configurations, economic circumstances, physical, cognitive or emotional abilities, education or spiritual or religious traditions. All are welcome to participate fully in the life, leadership, ministry, and missions of this church as we seek to grow together in a safe, nurturing community of faith. We strive to demonstrate in all ways that "NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE OR WHERE YOU ARE ON LIFE'S JOURNEY, YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!"

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Start Zoom Recoding to Cloud **KATHERINE O. JOHNSON**

RINGING THE BELL **MARTY KLEINO**

WELCOME **PASTOR LIZ**

- A warm welcome to all, including first-time visitors.
- As stated in our Open and Affirming Covenant (previous page), all persons are welcome in this community of faith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS **TAD WYSOR**

- **COMMUNITY SHARING OF OTHER ANNOUNCMENTS:**
  - The Worship Leader will introduce the in-person greeter, **Sue Schuon**, and Zoomie greeter, **Jeanette Sherrill**.
  - The Greeters will introduce folks participating in worship.
  - Please share your announcements so everyone can learn what is happening in our beloved ministry community.
  - Please submit written announcements to Margaret Harner, Worship Coordinator, margaretsharner@gmail.com, by midnight on Tuesday.

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

GATHERING HYMN *Microphone muted *Standing is optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Go, Make a Difference"
199 SING

CALL TO WORSHIP **TAD WYSOR**

Leader: God of all understanding, we come to you this morning.

People: In happiness, in hardships, in peace, in discord, in assurance, in insecurity.

Leader: We meet you with longing.

People: We long for your presence, for your guidance.

Leader: We stand before you, our hearts full of hope.

People: The hope that reminds us who we are and where we are going.

Leader: We confront you this morning, deliberate.

People: Speak Lord, your servants are listening!

HYMN *Microphone muted *Standing is optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Fire!"
142 SING

LISTENING FOR GOD

FIRST READING	**John 1:4-5**	**TAD WYSOR**
SECOND READING	**Monty Oum Quotes**	**KIKI FUGATE**
MORNING MESSAGE	**"Indomitable"**	**KIKI FUGATE**

CONVERSING WITH THE HOLY ONE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Pause Zoom recording
*Zoomies: Please turn on your microphone

You are invited to share your joys and petitions for prayer.
Please unmute your microphone to share a joy or make a prayer of petition.
At the end of each joy or petition, please say **"God in your mercy"**
We will respond (with microphones muted) **"Hear our prayers"**

PASTORAL PRAYER *Restart Zoom recording **KIKI FUGATE**

DISCIPLES' PRAYER (Unison) *Microphone muted **KIKI FUGATE**

O Breathing Life, your Name shines everywhere!
Release a space to plant your presence here.
Imagine your possibilities now.
Embody your desire in every light and form.
Grow through us in this moment's bread and wisdom.
Untie the knots of failure binding us,
as we release the strands we hold of others' faults.
Help us not forget our source.
Free us from not being in the present.
From you arises every vision, power, and song, from gathering to gathering.
May our future actions grow from here!
Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY INVITATION **KIKI FUGATE**

Our electronic giving platform is Tithe.ly: Link to Tithe.ly

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Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY **KATHERINE O. JOHNSON**

DOXOLOGY *Microphone muted *Standing is optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Jesus, Jesus, Oh What a Wonderful Child" 136 NCH

Jesus, Jesus, oh, what a wonderful child.
Jesus, Jesus, so holy meek and mild.
New life, new hope the Child will bring.
Listen to the angels sing,
"Glory, glory, glory," let the heavens ring!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *Unison with Microphone muted **TAD WYSOR**

We join with Jesus in giving thanks for the common things we see,
that our eyes may be opened to the great possibilities we have not yet imagined.
May our efforts be multiplied by your grace so there is more than enough for all –
more comfort in sorrow, more relief in pain, more mercy in goof-ups,
more presence in loneliness, more strength in weakness, and more enthusiasm in apathy.
We offer these gifts following the way of Christ's abundant generosity.
Amen.

DEPARTING WITH PRAISE

CLOSING HYMN *Microphone muted *Standing is optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"
293 NCH

BENEDICTION (RESPONSIVE) **KIKI FUGATE**

Leader: Go into the world to find your voice.

People: Listening for what God is doing.

Leader: Go into the world to find each other.

People: Reaching out when we need support.

Leader: Go into the world amazed.

People: Knowing that God is always with us.

Leader: Amen.

People: Amen.

POSTLUDE *Please remain seated **KATHERINE O. JOHNSON**

PASSING THE PEACE **FRIENDS GATHERED**

Share a greeting with others as we transition to our casual **Friendship Time.**

Hybrid Sunday Worship 10:00 am

Rev. Liz Larrivee, Pastor & Spiritual Director
Tiffanie Waldron, Music Director
Eric Banitt, Accompanist

Kiki Fugate, Guest Preacher
Katherine O. Johnson, Guest Accompanist
Jenn Zibbell, Seminary Intern
Tad Wysor, Worship Leader
Sue Schuon, Roomie Greeter
Jeanette Sherrill, Zoomie Greeter
Marty Kleino, Bell Ringer
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- **Hymn Profiles:** *The New Century Hymnal Companion.* Pilgrim Press 1999.
- **Second Reading:** Quotes by Monty Oum
- *"Indomitable"* (feat. Casey Lee Williams) song by Jeff Williams
- **Offering Invitation:** http://d3n8a8pro7vhmx.cloudfront.net/unitedchurchofchrist/legacy_url/3825/offering-invitations-for-ordinary-time.pdf?1418427555 (Sept 28th prayer)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYBRID WORSHIP IS BACK!!!!
Some of us will be in person in the worship space and others will be on Zoom, but we will still all be one worshiping community of faith seekers.

Welcome Kiki Fugate! Kiki is serving as our guest preacher today. Thank you, Kiki, for the generous sharing of your creativity, faith, and gifts.

Welcome Katherine O. Johnson! Katherine is serving as our guest accompanist today. She has taught piano and, with National Homeschool Music Ensembles founder Don Dobrosky (https://www.nhme.org/index.html), taught homeschool band, orchestra, and choir in Ann Arbor and Tecumseh. She lives in Ypsilanti with her son and grandson. She also published journals for the Romance Languages department before her retirement.

Worship Next Week: Donna Eyster, Worship Leader; Patty Sherwood, Room Greeter; Ellie Gusman, Zoom Greeter. Interested in serving as a Worship Leader or Greeter, contact Margaret Harner at margaretsharner@gmail.com

February Birthdays: This month we celebrate birthdays of folks in our faith community. February birthdays that we know:
Margaret Harner
Wayne Burling
Jacob Hunter
Ivan Harner
Pastor Liz Larrivee
and any others of whom we are not aware. We are asking folks to let Patty Sherwood, Clerk, psherwood48@comcast.net know the month of their birthdays. During worship on the first Sunday of each month we will sing "Happy Birthday" to all folks born in that month who would like to participate in the celebration.

New Church Council Meeting Time: Church Council has moved to a new time to accommodate everyone's busy schedules. Once a month, **the first Monday of the month**, our Church Council Meeting will take the place of the weekly Worship Team Meeting.

Our next Church Council Meeting is March 7 at 11:30 am on the church Zoom.
Donna Eyster, Church Moderator, Zoom Host.

New Worship Team Meeting Time: Mondays 11:30 am to noon on non-Council Mondays:
If you have a role in leading worship (Worship Leader, Greeter, Guest Preacher or are just someone interested in seeing how worship evolves, please join our lively conversation by attending the Monday meeting sharing your creativity, ideas and feedback. Thank you to Core Worship Team Members: Tiffanie Waldron, Music Director; Donna Eyster, Moderator; Margaret Harner, Worship Coordinator; Wayne Burling, Technical Coordinator; and Jenn Zibbell, Seminary Intern, for collaborating in worship planning. Meeting on church Zoom Account. Pastor Liz Zoom host.

Rev. Dan Kidder-McQuown is featured in an interview with Pacific Health Ministry in Hawaii about his experience in its CPE (Clinical Pastoral Education) residency program. Learn more about Dan's spiritual journey, call story to chaplaincy, and UCC ordination by clicking on this link: https://www.phmhawaii.org/connecting-with-daniel-kidder-mcquown/. Thank you, Dan, for sharing your story. You and your ministry are an inspiration!

GoFundMe for Santos

A GoFundMe initiative has been setup by **Michigan Immigration Rights Center (MIRC), Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights (WICIR)** and **St. Mary's Catholic Student Parish** to support Santos. Her story and the GoFundMe link is below.

Hospitalized Mom Needs Our Help After Being Hit By Car in AAPS School Parking Lot

A single immigrant mother of two Ann Arbor Public Schools (AAPS) students is hospitalized with severe injuries as the result of a car accident while she was picking up her kindergarten child from elementary school. Due to some AAPS bus service routes being suspended recently, this mom was doing school pick-up herself. She was walking through the school parking lot when a car slammed into her. She was rushed to the hospital, spent time in the ICU and continues to require significant long-term medical intervention at the hospital. She has lost income that she uses to support her children. Her younger child also has special medical needs. An extended family member has come from out-of-state to care for her children during her hospital stay and gradual recovery, which is expected to last months.

We at **Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights (WICIR)** have known this immigrant mom for many years. She has lived in Washtenaw County for more than 15 years. Several years ago her husband, and father of her children, was detained by ICE while driving their youngest child to the hospital; he was subsequently deported. This left her alone to care for her children and support the entire family. WICIR has accompanied her over the years through many challenges. This recent turn of events, however, is an unforeseen disaster with both short- and long-term implications. It is anticipated that she will need long-term rehabilitation before she can return home to her children.

Michigan Immigrant Rights Center (MIRC), who is providing Santos with no-cost legal assistance, **St. Mary's Catholic Chapel,** and **WICIR** are reaching out to ask for not only financial support for her, but also asking that you will help us distributing this GoFundMe link and her story to others in your orbits as we strive to tell her story to our larger communities. As you can imagine, financial support is urgently needed, especially regarding housing, food for the children, and assistance for her family members who have come from far away and left work to help support her and the kids. Please give what you can to bring a little light and hope to this family in crisis.

For more information on the immigrant support groups above, please see WICIR www.wicir.org and MIRC www.michiganimmigrant.org websites

https://gofund.me/db785b57

Free Transforming Church Conflict Zoom Training March 4 & 5:

From Pastor Liz- A timely opportunity to learn new skills to support our faith community to thrive as we discern the Spirit's direction in the wake of the long-term isolating effects of the pandemic. This seminar is offered by the MI Conference Vital Growth Mission Area Team and registration is FREE. I will be attending, and hope to see you there.

Please prayerfully consider attending this timely opportunity with Pastor Liz and Rev. Cameron Trimble to learn new skills to help our faith community thrive as we seek to discern the Spirit's direction in the wake of the long-term isolating effects of the pandemic. This free Zoom training is offered by the UCC MI Conference Vital Growth Mission Area Team and takes place next Friday from 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm ET and Saturday from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm ET.

Conflict is an inevitable part of human community. People are complicated, and as we relate to one another, we open ourselves to misunderstandings, miscommunication, and strong emotions.

Engaging conflict creatively presents tremendous opportunities for personal and congregational transformation when handled well. Unfortunately, conflict in churches all too often tears congregations apart rather than making them stronger.
Convergence provides a dynamic and engaging approach to conflict transformation for churches, denominations, NGOs and business organizations. This training is particularly effective for leadership councils, Sessions, Vestries and curated congregational groups.

This 1.5 day online workshop will walk your group through how to become skilled in conflict transformation. You will learn skills that will reshape your interactions with present and future congregational conflict and equip you for managing conflict in your work and personal life.

Together, we will explore the following topics:

- What is conflict?
- The intersection of conflict and story
- Your individual approach to conflict
- Family Systems Theory, triangulation, scapegoating and conflict mapping
- Managing difficult conversations and emotions
- How conflict functions in groups and organizations
- Your congregational conflict habits
- A process for addressing conflict between individuals and within groups
- Healthy congregational conflict practices

In addition to presentations on each of these topics, there will be opportunities for sharing our personal experiences with conflict and working on leading through difficult conflict using case studies and role playing.

REGISTER FOR FREE TODAY!

MUCH GOOD NEWS TO SHARE-

The Michigan Conference UCC Board of Directors is pleased to announce the Official Candidate for Conference Minister of the Michigan Conference United Church of Christ,

Rev. Dr. Lillian Daniel.

Pastor Liz served on the Conference Search Committee and shares:

> *Some exciting news...I think our lovely Nancy Rohde had the Spirit nudging her when she picked Lillian's Book* ***When 'Spiritual But Not Religious' Isn't Enough*** *for our Monday night book study last winter. Lillian is amazing! I encourage folks to attend one of the three Meet and Greets to get to know Lillian. You will also want to attend the Special Meeting where we will vote on her as the candidate recommended by the UCC MI Conference Board and the UCC MI Conference Search Committee.*

On the following pages you will find Dr. Daniel's biography and photo, and the schedule of meet and greet dates/times with Zoom invite information as well as the call to the Special Meeting of the Conference to elect and call Dr. Daniel as the Settled Michigan Conference Minister.

More good news---

For 3 years members of our congregation have been part of an ecumenical team support a man living in sanctuary at the Friends' Meeting House in Ann Arbor. Although he had severe liver disease and had pursued all avenues available to stay here for medical treatment, Immigration and Customs Enforcement had given him a final deportation date. Washtenaw Congregational Sanctuary, of which we are a member congregation, received him into sanctuary to prevent his deportation and provide for his continued medical needs. At the time, he was a perfect candidate for a transplant, but could not be placed on a transport list because of his tenuous immigration status. Last year, in solidarity with members of other WCS faith communities, we accompanied him to his immigration check-in, praying for an extended stay. It was granted! This week we got the following fabulous news from Mary Anne Perrone, WCS convener:

> *It is a great joy to share some good news with you today. Mohamed got a call from Henry Ford Health System, saying that he has been accepted into the transport program and that they are ready to set him up with phase one, which is the extensive testing to see if it's a go or not. They stated that this had been "cleared with ICE" -- whatever that means, we aren't sure, but Henry Ford feels reassured enough to go through the process. This is HUGE and as close to miraculous as we've come along the way these past 3 years. Truly something to celebrate and rejoice over. The transplant itself is still not a sure thing, of course. The initial testing, gratefully, can be done locally at St. Joe's, so those appointments will be set up soon. Drivers may be needed to help with transportation for him. We'll know more after the testing protocols are complete.*

This is certainly something to celebrate!!!

And-

WICIR (Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights) has incorporated as a Michigan nonprofit entity and has elected a Board of Directors. They are moving ahead with filing for federal 501(c) status. The continuing support of this congregation has made this ministry possible for 14 years.

The Rev Dr. Lillian Daniel

Lillian Daniel is a nationally recognized preacher, teacher and writer who cares deeply about clergy and congregations. After serving four unique congregations in the UCC, she now feels called by the Holy Spirit to leadership as the next Conference Minister of Michigan.

A graduate of Yale Divinity School, she began her ministry as an Associate Pastor at a large church in Cheshire, Connecticut. From there she became a Solo Pastor at a small urban church in New Haven, Connecticut where the choir outnumbered the congregation, but over eight years, they grew to become a vibrant, interracial, community, that also became Open and Affirming. This would be the first of three churches to go through the Open and Affirming process under her pastoral leadership, which also includes extensive experience organizing for justice in politically diverse settings, serving on the boards of Interfaith Worker Justice and the Community Renewal Society. After ten years as a Senior Pastor at a large church in the western suburbs of Chicago, she moved to the beautiful driftless region of Dubuque, Iowa, where she has been Senior Pastor at an historic urban church since 2016.

In the United Church of Christ, she has the distinction of having been a General Synod delegate from all of the three conferences she has served: Connecticut, Illinois and Iowa. A regular writer for the UCC Stillspeaking Devotionals, she was a founding member of the UCC Writer's Group that has produced many written materials for the denomination and in Iowa, she is currently a member of her association's Committee on Ministry.

Lillian Daniel is also a widely read author whose latest book, *Tired of Apologizing for a Church I Don't Belong To* generated international conversation about the changing religious landscape. It continues the theme of her 2013 book *When 'Spiritual But Not Religious' Is Not Enough* about the growing number of people who claim "none" as their religious preference. Featured in the New York Times and on PBS, Lillian Daniel's writing has been described as "biting, hilarious, pitch perfect, tender, and often stunningly beautiful," and her book *This Odd and Wondrous Calling* is taught in many seminaries.

Passionate about faith formation for both clergy and laity, Lillian Daniel currently teaches UCC History and Polity at Chicago Theological Seminary where she is also on the Board of Trustees. She has taught preaching at a number of schools, including University of Chicago, University of Dubuque Theological Seminary and Yale Divinity School, although she can't be held responsible for everyone who falls asleep in church. Perhaps most importantly, at every church she has served, numerous church members and seminarians have felt the call to become pastors and they now serve at churches across the world.

Lillian Daniel has spoken at the National Cathedral, Duke Chapel, King's College, London and Queen's College, Ontario, and now she looks forward to speaking at UCC churches across the Michigan Conference, with a focus on communication, connection and celebration, as together we discern what our still speaking God is calling us to do next.

For more information, see LillianDaniel.com

Meet & Greet Dates with Rev. Dr. Lillian Daniel:

Saturday, March 5, 2022 @ 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 13, 2022 @ 4:00 p.m.

Friday, March 18, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

Zoom link for ALL Meet & Greets:

Topic: Meet & Greet with Rev. Dr. Lillian Daniel

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87990154725?pwd=V0dLNElXZzl3aitMYVlydzFzL1RJQT09

Meeting ID: 879 9015 4725

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Special Meeting of the Conference
Election of New Conference Minister

Saturday, March 19, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m.

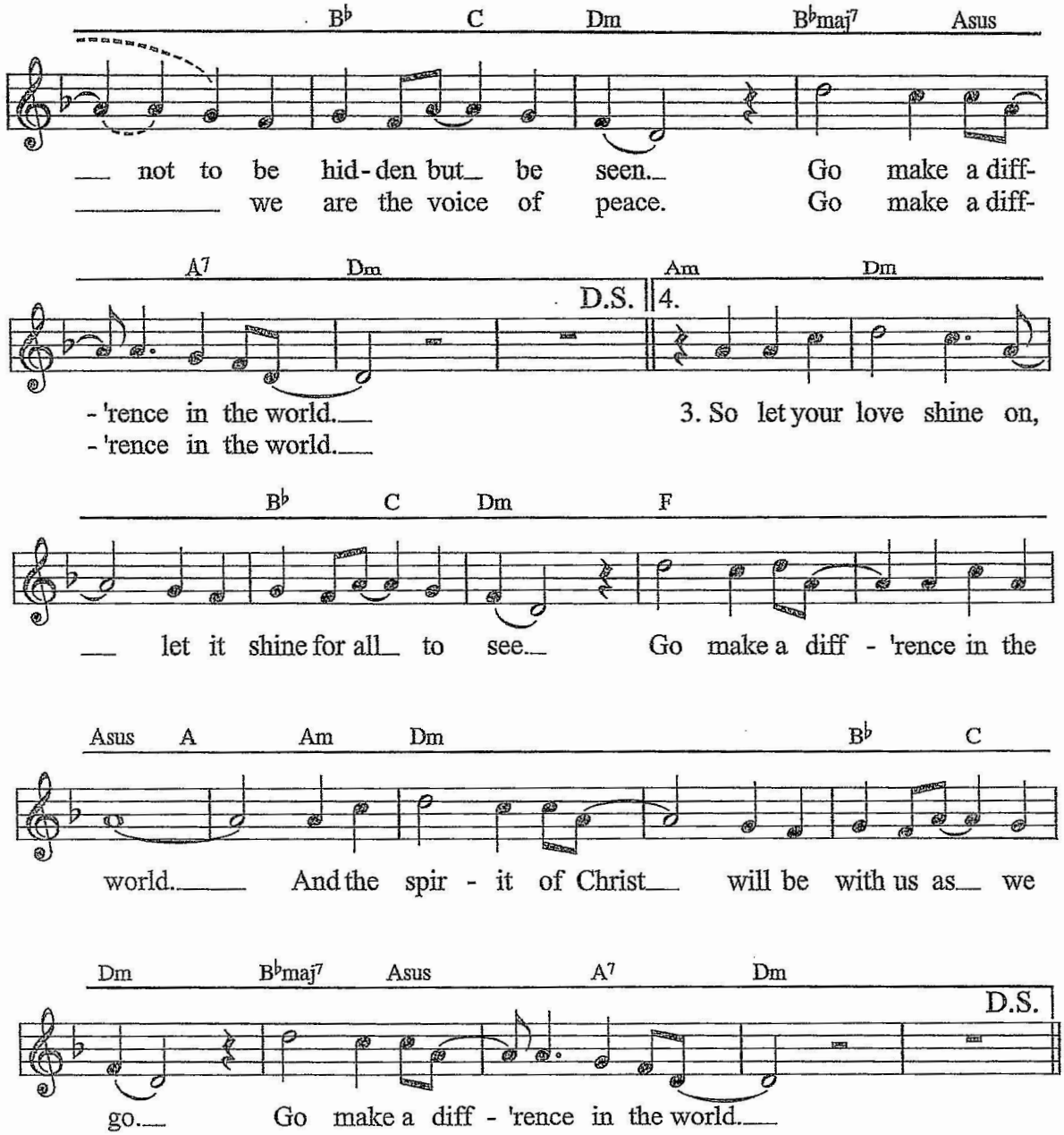
Zoom registration sent separately to all churches and clergy

BLACK HISTORY MONTH: Elijah McCoy from Ypsilanti was an inventor and engineer**.** His parents were both born into slavery and, through the Underground Railroad escaped to Canada where Elijah was born. His family moved to Michigan when he was 3 and settled in Ypsilanti. At age 15 Elijah went to Edinburgh, Scotland for a mechanical engineering apprenticeship. After becoming certified, he returned to Michigan. Facing racial discrimination, he was only able to find work as a locomotive fireman & oiler for Michigan Central Railroad. This job required fueling and lubricating steam engine moving parts. This was dangerous work resulting in serious injury to the workers. McCoy identified and solved the problems of engine lubrication and overheating. His automatic lubricator used steam pressure to pump oil wherever needed and did not require the train to stop. In 1872 he received his first of many patents. According to the patent, the device *provided for the continuous flow of oil on the gears and other moving parts of a machine to keep it lubricated properly and continuous.* As a result, the lubricator improved efficiency in numerous fields beyond trains. McCoy continued to improve on the lubricator and obtained many patents on his other inventions, including the ironing board and lawn sprinkler. In 1920 he opened his own company, the Elijah McCoy Manufacturing Co to produce his own products rather than licensing his designs to existing companies. He died in 1929 at the age of 85. In 2001 McCoy was inducted into the National Inventors Hal of Fame. His historical marker is in Library Park, next to the Ypsilanti Public Library on W. Michigan Avenue.

Adapted from Biography of Elijah McCoy, by Mary Bellis

199 Go, Make a Diff'rence

♩=56
Dm
Asus A
Dm B♭ C
Go make a diff - 'rence. We can make a diff-
Dm F Asus A
— 'rence. Go make a diff - 'rence— in the world.—
Dm B♭ C Dm
Go make a diff - 'rence. We can make a diff - 'rence.
B♭maj7 Asus A Dm Am Am
Last time, Fine 1. 2.3.
Go make a diff - 'rence in the world.—
1. We are the
2. We are the
Dm B♭ C Dm
salt of the earth,— called to let the peo - ple see— the
hands of— Christ— reach-ing out to those in need,— the
F Asus A Am Dm
love of God— for you and me.— We are the light of the world.
face of God— for all to see.— We are the spir - it of hope;


B♭ C Dm B♭maj7 Asus
not to be hid-den but be seen. Go make a diff-
we are the voice of peace. Go make a diff-
A7 Dm Am Dm
D.S.
4.
-'rence in the world.
-'rence in the world.
3. So let your love shine on,
B♭ C Dm F
let it shine for all to see. Go make a diff - 'rence in the
Asus A Am Dm B♭ C
world. And the spir - it of Christ will be with us as we
Dm B♭maj7 Asus A7 Dm
D.S.
go. Go make a diff - 'rence in the world.

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RESPOND

142 Fire!

♩=120
Fm Cm Fm Cm
1. Fire! Ho-ly Spir- it, Fire!___ Fill us with de - sire_
2. Wind! Ho-ly Spir- it, Wind!___ Breathe on us a pas -
3. Tongues! Ho-ly Spir- it, Tongues!___ Help us speak Your Word
B♭m E♭ Cm Fm Cm
1.2.
___ to know You more.___ Ho-ly Spir- it, Fire!___
- sion for Your love.___ Ho-ly Spir- it, Wind!___
___ to all we know.___ Ho-ly Spir- it, Tongues!
Cm B♭m7 E♭ Fm
3.
And we will be Your peo - ple, walk-ing in Your ways.___
Cm B♭m7 E♭ D♭9 Caug7
We want to be Your peo - ple, all our liv-ing days!___
Fm Cm B♭m Cm
4. Spir - it!___ Come, Ho-ly Spir- it.___ Help us know Your heart,
B♭m Fm9 E♭ Fm
___Your will, Your way.___ Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.___
E♭ Fm E♭ Fm
Come, Ho-ly Spir - it.___ Come, Ho-ly Spir - it.___

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293 Sweet, Sweet Spirit

2 Cor. 3:17–5:5

Doris Akers, 1962; alt.

Slowly
1 There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I
2 There are bless - ings you can - not re - ceive till you
know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are
know that Spir - it's full - ness and be - lieve; you're the
sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I
one to prof - it when you say, "I am
to Refrain
know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.
going to stay with Je - sus all the way."

This is one of the most popular gospel songs from the corpus of African-American songwriters who emerged during the golden age of gospel (1930–1969). Although this era was dominated by the Baptists, Doris Akers had Methodist roots.

Tune: SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT
9.11.9.11. with refrain
Doris Akers, 1962

2/2

Refrain
Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav-en-ly Dove, stay right here
with us, fill-ing us with your love; And for these bless-ings we
lift our hearts in praise. With-out a doubt we'll know that we have
been re - vived when we shall leave this place.